



# Parchment Available in the Illinois Career Information System

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**T**he Illinois Department of Employment Security and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission have partnered with Parchment™ through the Illinois Career Information System (CIS) to help schools manage their college and career programs. Now sending all your official credentials - transcripts, diplomas, certificates - can be done more easily than ever! The Parchment™ credential management platform is designed from the ground up to be easy to use and have

all the power you need. Thanks to our partners at the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, we can provide this service to our Illinois Career Information Schools at no cost!

A major piece in any college and career plan is the ability for students to securely and efficiently share their admissions documents, including letters of recommendation and award certificates. Parchment™ provides an integrated solution, giving students the ability to

request, process and deliver documents electronically from the existing student workflows in the Illinois Career Information System.

Key benefits of the Parchment™ single sign-on integration include

- Students can click the “Order My Transcript” button from within the Illinois Career Information System to be directed to their Parchment™ account.
- Students and parents have access to a modern ordering interface where they can request, track and store academic documents. The profile grows with them, allowing them to collect and share future achievements to better tell the story of what they know.
- Easy and powerful tools for school administrators include: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) compliance, support of all record types and a flexible system that allows for holds or automated processing.

If you are interested in setting up the Illinois Career Information System at your school, contact us at [des.cis@illinois.gov](mailto:des.cis@illinois.gov) and we will create your account. The Illinois Career Information System platform is available to all Illinois schools AT NO CHARGE. Our career specialists offer web training and support to staff.

We are committed to helping empower students to plan their next steps and achieve their educational and career goals. The Illinois Career Information System with Parchment simplifies and streamlines the process.

If your school already uses the Illinois Career Information System, you can turn on integration today! Contact us at [des.cis@illinois.gov](mailto:des.cis@illinois.gov) to request authorization of the CIS integration. CIS staff will then enable the link.

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